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Weather for Ohio—Fair tonight and Tuesday, except on northeast lake-shore, slightly colder tonight.

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## APPEAL FOR RELIEF

The results of the big mine explosion at Mononga, West Virginia, have finally become known, almost to a certainty. In the aggregate about three hundred and fifty men were killed, two hundred and fifty women were made widows and left in destitute circumstances to care for the one thousand fatherless children and that too at a time when the first cold winds of winter were beginning to blow. The town of Mononga, with its population of three thousand was robbed of one-half of its bread winners and the employment of a portion of the remaining men was shut off.

The picture presented in the lit. the mining town is indeed a sad one, rendered all the more gloomy by the rapidly approaching Christmas time. The company owning the mines where the explosion occurred has done all in its power to relieve the suffering of the families of the victims and bury the dead, but the work has become so heavy that it has gotten beyond the company and an appeal has been made to the various cities for aid.

Marion is indeed happily situated. Disaster after disaster has occurred in various sections and in numerous cities. Earthquakes have shaken cities to pieces, explosions have wrecked others, and fires and storms have swept others, but never has Marion witnessed a disaster which has come close to home and made a direct pull upon our heartstrings. Notwithstanding this, Marion people have not been slow in extending relief to those who survived these great disasters, and it is certain that they will not be found wanting when the appeal comes from Mononga. At this particular season of the year when the hearts of all are full of good cheer, when thoughts of Christmas are crowding in upon everyone, purse strings should be loosened a little more and abundant relief extended to the suffering women and children.

## STRENUOUS TIMES AHEAD

The President's recommendation to Congress will receive but little attention at the hands of the Republican leaders, as they do not approve his ideas, though they do not openly oppose them. An open break between the President and the Republican leaders can only be prevented by the most careful political management. When the Committees of Congress are announced it will be noticed that Speaker Cannon has taken care to keep the control of legislation in his own hands. His program is to leave well enough alone, pass the appropriation bills and go home. If President Roosevelt determines to force legislation on some of his pet projects, there may be a clash and a conflict that will have far reaching political consequences. The President is said to have more faith in the success of his "policies" as a vote getter, than all the standpoint arguments that can be offered. As Speaker Cannon is a candidate for President, he must defeat the President's plans, and show his absolute power over Congress or the Nation.

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ional Convention will not consider him.

What with panics and politics these be strenuous times for our Republican brethren.

"Fire Alarm" Foraker is bringing out Chief Taft on the run.

The fire of "Cannon and Gompers, labor leading and legislative business attended to" has not been formed in Washington.

Tom Johnson now has the credit not only of having defeated Burton and Roosevelt, but of having made an almighty hole in the Taft boom.

The only thing likely to be done unanimously, and with enthusiasm by this congress, is the drawing of the mileage and monthly stipend.

A North Carolina man recently stole box full of sermons from a preacher in that state. Possibly he thought that the preacher, like Shakespeare, should never repeat.

The Birmingham Age-Herald says: "All Alaska is covered with empty cans." As soon as Alabama is in the clutches of her prohibition law, that State will be in a similar fix.

The Satina, Kansas Journal devotes a column of editorial space to urging football players to be gentlemen. But what's the use, when football is becoming such a ladylike game?

If the Pittsburg Dispatch is to be believed, tigers have weak lungs and cannot run over half a mile, but observers of the Tammany variety in New York are inclined to doubt the statement.

At the age of seventy, Andrew Carnegie is living proof that the work of signing checks for large amounts does not necessarily shorten life.

An Iowa exchange says: "Next to a million dollars, a hearty laugh is about as pleasant a thing as one can have." There ought to be some comfort in this for the folks that haven't the million dollars.

## FROM THE COMMONER.

The St. Louis Globe Democrat editorially says: "Mr. Bryan has just stated in New York that the president's methods may have been responsible in a degree for the flurry." The trouble with the St. Louis Globe-Democrat is that it would rather be unfair and wrong than to be fair and right.

The Baltimore Sun has made a vicious attack—verbal, not physical—on pumpkin pie. If it has in mind the Baltimore canned pumpkin we concur in all the Sun says. But if it refers to the lucious brand made from the golden globes that ripened in Nebraska's great cornfields then we insist that the court take cognizance of the Sun's mental condition.

A few years ago a lot of republican organs hooted at Senator Peffer because he insisted the people could do business without money. Now they insist on the people being satisfied to do it just that way.

If the national banks have sufficient bonds on which they have not issued notes to enable them to take out some \$40,000,444 more in currency why all this talk about the immediate need of an asset currency?

"Uncle Joe" Cannon says he "is in the hands of his friends." And doubtless "Uncle Joe" is perfectly willing that they should let their left hands remain in utter ignorance of what their right hands are doing.

A Colorado man has just been sent to jail for selling a gold mine that did not exist. How foolish of him, when he might have sold non-existent railroads and become a "Napoleon of Finance" or a "Captain of Industry."

The Portland Oregonian says the "silver folly" of 1893 caused gold to hide away. And now, esteemed Oregonian, tell us please what is causing not only gold, but silver and paper money as well, to hide away at the present time.

One hundred millions in certificates of indebtedness bearing three per cent interest would certainly seem to demand an apology from a large number of eminent administration organs and statesmen who had much to say about "a bond issue in time of peace" a dozen years ago.

In 1896 with a per capita circulation of \$22 the republican organs in the only thing lacking being "confidence." With a per capita circulation of \$34 today they are insisting on an asset currency in order to provide money for emergencies. Have they, then, lost confidence?

United States Judge Grosscup feels terribly hurt because he has been indicted as a director of a railroad that recently had a fatal accident. His judicial feelings might be preserved by resignation. Somehow or other

## This, the Week Before Christmas.



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It does not strike the public as being quite the thing for a federal judge to be a director of a railroad corporation.

A few evenings ago the president and some of his friends witnessed a wrestling bout between two Japanese at the White House. At the same time the country was engaged in a wrestling bout which it did not enjoy.

The Milwaukee Sentinel asserts that the Republican party "means to revise the tariff and will revise the tariff and will so declare unequivocally in its national platform." This, too, in face of the fact that the Sentinel has just lost its humorist.

The Washington Herald complains because a few contemporaries "swipes is paragraphs." The Herald has no real grounds for complaint. Very few men are able to withstand all kinds of temptation, and the temptation to "swipe" Herald paragraphs is among the great ones.

After defending the unspeakable "watermelon rind preserve" the Washington Herald now rushes to the defense of the prune and the dried apple. The gastronomic department of the esteemed Herald is in need of a fearless blue pencil.

The Pittsburg Dispatch makes a few remarks about "the defeat of Mr. Bryan and his theories." The defeat of Bryan, to be sure—but will the Dispatch kindly point out a few of the "defeated theories"? The quantitative theory of money, for instance.

The Chicago beef packers gave a banquet, at which every dish served was a duplicate of some well known English dish of the fifteenth century. It will be noted that the packers did not take advantage of the opportunity to advertise their own canned goods by eating them.

The editor of the Canal Record reveals \$10,000 a year. The Canal Record is a weekly publication fathered by Uncle Sam and is not in it with a lot of weekly publications fathered by newspaper men who are glad to see the books show a profit of ten per cent of \$10,000 every year.

Women's \$2.50 high top "auto" style, gun metal shoes, Beatty & Long.

## What Others Say.

A THIRD TERM MESSAGE? The Tribune's Washington correspondent pictures the Republican National Committee as sorely perplexed by Mr. Roosevelt's attitude toward a third term. To quote from a despatch printed:

Speaking not to be quoted, many committeemen say they are unable to declare for any particular candidate without incurring the danger of alienating themselves from the mass of the Republican voters of their States who are as loyal to Mr. Roosevelt as they ever were.

If the members of the committee have read the President's message, confusion must be doubly confounded. Mr. Roosevelt may not desire a renomination, but if he were avowedly a candidate, in what respect would he have modified his message? What did he omit that he would have said? What did he say that he would have omitted? On a careful rereading of the message we fail to find any considerable element of the voting population to whom Mr. Roosevelt neglected to offer a son.

For the benefit of the labor unions he suggests a modification of the writ of injunction. For the edification of the farmers he recommends national inspection and grading of grain and increased attention to the comfort of agricultural communities. He propounds the tariff reformers by recommending a revision of the Dingley schedules. He soothes the stand-patters by insisting that it must be only a "business" revision and shall be postponed until after election. He appeals to the anti-railroad sentiment by urging a national incorporation or license law. The Interstate Commerce Commission to pass upon all future issues of securities. He placates the great railroad and industrial interests by suggesting an amendment to the Sherman law to permit reasonable combinations and to prohibit unhealthy competition. To the bankers and financial interests he offers currency reform. To the Bryan Democrats he offers a Federal license law which would prohibit combinations from engaging in interstate commerce. For even the "malefactors of great wealth" there is comfort in his future. To say anything about criminal prosecution or to reassert that there will be "no immunity for any criminal, high or low, whom we can reach under the law."

A message which appropriates practically all the political issues that command popular support and which appeals to every section and every important element of voters may indicate that Mr. Roosevelt is adhering with Spartan determination to the state, ment that he will not again be a candidate. But to say the least it is an extraordinary method of

stalling the third term tumult. No wonder the members of the Republican National Committee are perplexed.—New York World.

## BURGLARY AT PROSPECT

Safes at Both the Mills Cracked.

## OFFICES ARE RANSACKED

Small Amount of Money and Stamps Secured.

Robbers Gain Admittance by Breaking Open the Windows—No Claws are Secured by Authorities.

Burglars entered the offices of the Union and National mills at Prospect some time Saturday night and robbed the tills of the change and postage stamps they contained. The offices of both plants were completely ransacked but fortunately there was only a small amount of money in them. The burglars got away with about \$6 and a small lot of stamps.

The robbers entered the mills by breaking out two window panes. It is supposed that the windows were broken at the time a train was passing, consequently the noise of the broken glass could not be heard. The safes at both plants were unopened and the contents scattered about the offices.

The robbery was first discovered by Mr. Frank Robinson, manager of the National mill. Mr. Robinson entered his office early Sunday morning, finding it torn upside down. Shortly after Robinson had discovered the burglary of his office, H. O. Toms, manager of the Union mills found that his office had also been entered.

The burglars opened the money drawers by means of a small screw driver, which instrument they left lying on the floor. The Prospect authorities have no idea who the intruders were and it is probable that no arrests will result.

## CRUISE OF BIG FLEET

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the full recognition of Japanese immigrants is a matter of life or death. He is not the man to be frightened by the dispatch of the Pacific fleet, says the Times, and it adds: "If he ignores the move for the time being, he will plod on until he succeeds with peaceful remonstrances, or can see no issue but to fight."

Paris, Dec. 16.—The departure today of the American armada is occasion for a few fresh comments here on the American-Japanese relations. French opinion, from the first, has been divided into two camps. The majority in France share the Pacific view that Japan cannot take advantage at the crisis and while the situation contains elements of danger, the differences between the two countries are sure to be amicably adjusted.

The other camp, supported by a section of the press, has insisted throughout that the real issue between the United States and Japan arises not from the troubles in San Francisco, but because of Japan's inordinate ambition to control the Pacific ocean, which, if persisted in, will make a clash sooner or later inevitable. The recall of Ambassador Aoki they regard as a confirmation of their suspicions and they point to the fact that negotiations on the immigration question are now practically at a stand still.

A well known foreign publicist said: "It is now almost an open secret in diplomatic circles that the American fleet is going to the Pacific to enable the United States to answer Japan on an equal footing. It is an elementary measure of prudence until Japan shows her hand. If she entertains no ulterior motive, the immigration question will soon be settled."

The press remarks the coincidence between the departure of the fleet and the rumor that Japan is seeking a new loan in London and Paris.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 16.—The departure of the American fleet evokes intense interest here. It has occasioned a volume of newspaper comment, the strength and preparedness of the Americans being described as showing a strong contrast to that of the Russian fleet on its ill-starred cruise.

The newspapers are unanimous in their conviction of the far reaching effects of shifting the naval strength of the United States from Atlantic to Pacific waters. That Novoe Vremia does homage to what it terms "a bold Rooseveltian stroke" to restore the balance of power in the Pacific, which has been distributed by the recent war.

"The squadron," says the Novoe Vremia, "will actually serve as the best guarantee of peace by checking the elation of oriental nations."

The Novoe Vremia points out that the cruise cannot fail to profoundly impress the Latin Americans thereby lending additional weight to the Monroe doctrine.

The fleet fears that the concentration of such immense power on the California shores will vastly increase the responsibility of the federal government as it is inevitable that it will produce an outburst of warlike sentiment and will feed the flame of race feeling in the Pacific coast states.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—The German admiralty has been observing for some time with the greatest interest the preparations for the departure of the

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American fleet, which is regarded here as the most unusual naval experience of modern times. The only event which is considered comparable to this cruise of the American battleships to the Pacific is the passage of the Russian fleet from the Baltic around to the Sea of Japan.

Although the Russian fleet started on this voyage "under circumstances involving much greater danger, owing to a state of actual warfare existing, yet the American fleet comprises a greater number of fighting ships and they are vastly more important. Expert opinion among naval men is that it will be splendid practice for the fleet. While most navies have worked on such a problem theoretically it is thought likely that the practical carrying out of such a lengthy voyage will reveal many things that ought to be known and bring to light weaknesses if they exist.